VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

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The Honorable Glenn Nye United States House of Representatives 116 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Nye,

On behalf of the 2.2 million members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and our Auxiliaries, I would like to offer our support for your legislation, *The Veterans Business Center Act of 2009.*

This important legislation would greatly expand the Small Veteran Business Center program within the Small Business Administration to serve as an outlet and resource for veteran business owners. Many veterans who have the desire and initiative to create small businesses but lack the knowledge and assets to do so will benefit greatly from the institution of a Veteran Business Center program. This program would also serve those veterans who already own established small businesses by helping them to find contracts, utilize good business and managerial skills and provide financial counsel. Furthermore this bill would create aid for service-disabled veterans by providing them with training tailored to their specific needs.

Representative Nye, the VFW commends you for introducing legislation that will so greatly assist veteran business owners. The VFW would like to recognize you for demonstrating so strong a dedication to veterans in such short service. Your bill is an excellent demonstration of your commitment to those who so honorably served this Nation and we look forward to helping you secure its passage.

Sincerely,

DENNIS CULLINAN, Director National Legislative Service